Before requesting an eFile account you should review *Chapter 16, Iowa Rules of Electronic Procedure* on the Iowa Legislature website at https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/CourtRulesChapter/16.pdf

Note: If you are an out-of-state lawyer not licensed to practice law in lowa, you must first register with the lowa Office of Professional Regulation and complete all requirements.

Go to the eFile website

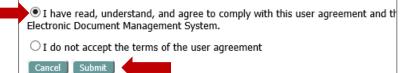
- Click on the eFile Login link on the eFile page.
- 2. Click Request Account.





Accepting the User Agreement

 Click the radio button indicating you agree to comply with license agreement and click **Submit**.



Choosing the correct user role

Roles are described in detail in Rule 16.304(1). For definitions and special information on user roles, refer to the <u>User Role Decision Tree</u> or Rule 16.302(1).

- 4. Select your user role and click **Next**.
- 5. Click Next.

Note: If you are filing for yourself or your own business (sole proprietor) and you are:

- Not an attorney,
- Not filing on behalf of a partnership, association, corporation, or tribe,
- Not filing for a government agency,
- Not a member of the media, a bail bondsman, process server, abstractor or other specialized nonparty filer,

select Registered Filer. Then, skip to Step 7.



Note for Filing Agents

• Filing Agents for multiple companies must register once for each company.

Note for Pro Hac Vice

After the judge files the order granting your Application for Admission Pro Hac Vice, the clerk of court
will create and send you a special pro hac vice personal identification number (PHV PIN). You will use
the PIN when you register for an account in the eFile system. Enter the 9-character PHV PIN in the ICIS
ID field in the format PHV0001234.

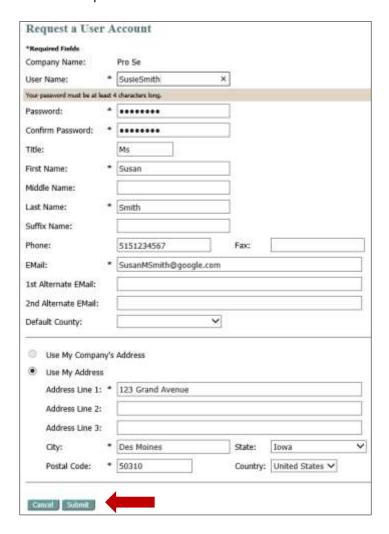
Entering your contact information

If you are registering as a Registered Filer, skip to step 7.

6. If you are registering as an attorney, filing agent, government agency, or specialized nonparty filer, select your company from the Existing drop down list. If your organization is not listed, contact your clerk of court to confirm that the organization is not listed before adding it. Click **Next**.



7. Specify your user details. Complete all required information for your role (where indicated by an asterisk *). Each role requires different information.



Note for Attorneys Only

AT PIN – The 9-character unique Personal Identification Number assigned by the Office of Professional Regulation for attorneys. PINs for Iowa attorneys begin with a capital AT and leading zeros before the numbers (ex. AT0001234).

Note: Enter all 9 characters, including leading zeros.

8. Click Submit.

After your request is approved, you will receive a confirmation message at the email address (or addresses) you specified. Make sure to check your junk or spam folder if you do not receive the email.

Next steps

• File an appearance and answer: Instructions

File a new case: <u>Instructions</u>File in existing case: <u>Instructions</u>

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